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THE PRESS.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20.

Canadian comments are a good deal more spiteful than those of English journals.

One English paper does admit that Lord Salisbury made a mistake in declaring the Monroe doctrine obsolete.

The Senate was quite right in laying over the commission resolution for further consideration. There is no reason for precipitancy in this business, and very many against it.

The proposition to limit the time of the proposed commission to examine the Venezuelan boundary question is a good one. Three months is long enough to ascertain all the facts that can be had. If kept open longer, there is danger that it will get into politics and be used to boom somebody.

It is entirely natural and to be expected that most of the nations of Europe should oppose the Monroe doctrine. They have just the same motive to do so that England has. Most of them are engaged in the colonization business, and several of them have colonies in South America which they may want to extend. Indeed at the present time France has a dispute with Brazil about a boundary line.

It is altogether probable that but a very few weeks will have gone by before war talk both in this country and England will be very much less common than now. In every country there is an element that always wants war. It expects in one way or another to make something out of it. In the minds of not a few people war is associated with good times, with abundant opportunities for making money, and if a man happens to be in the army or navy, with chances for promotion and distinction. But the great mass of the people do not want war. Under a despotism that would make little difference. A class, and a small class, at that, decides whether it shall be war or peace, and the people have to accept their decision. But in both England and the United States public sentiment rules the government. There is no danger that Congress will declare war unless it has the sober judgment of the people behind it, and there is just as little that the British government will precipitate hostilities except under the same condition. There is one very significant thing about all the defiant talk both in England and America. Whether it is made by a newspaper or politicians somewhere in the course of fit comes the declaration of a belief that there will be no war. The American thinks England will back down and the Englishman thinks that the American will realize eventually that the claim set up by his government is preposterous and abandon it—but they both are sure that war will in some way be avoided. In all the comments that have been made in England and America we cannot recall a single one in which there was an expression of a belief or even a very serious fear that war would result, while in the great majority of them there was an expression of just the opposite kind. The meaning of this is that neither country wants war, that both are at heart very much opposed to it. The mere consideration of its possibility fills them with a sort of horror, and well it may, for a conflict between the United States and Great Britain would be terrible in its immediate results and as terrible in its far reaching consequences.

Now when two enlightened nations like United States and England where the people make themselves felt and compel the government to obey their wishes are opposed to lying at one another's throats—and that is the state of mind of the people of this country and Great Britain today, when in a reflective mood—there isn't very great danger of their doing so. Of course the men who are at the front in a controversy and have the national pride in their keeping, or think they have, feel it necessary to take a "firm" stand and to appear unyielding—indeed they are practically compelled to do so for the first oblation of feeling of a nation which thinks it has been defied or insulted is one of resentment

which the men at the front have to recognize. But the sober second thought comes to the people in due time and then the men at the front have to recognize that and yield to it just as they did to the first oblation of feeling. The wise leader under such circumstances while yielding to a certain extent to the first gust of feeling keeps in mind the coming of the sober second thought and keeps the country from putting itself in a position while acting under mere impulse from which it cannot depart, when calm judgment and reason have resumed their sway, without humiliation and shame. The man who makes the most war talk today and interposes the most obstacles to a peaceful settlement of the Venezuelan controversy is not going to be a popular man with the great majority of the people a few weeks hence either in England or America. Indeed we doubt if he is now with the thinking ones of the country.

Thoughtful men on both sides the water deprecate the suggestion even of an appeal to arms, until every other expedient has been exhausted. Americans are ready to fight, and fight to the bitter end, when there is good reason for it, but they want to be very certain that such reason exists. They want to be sure that their cause is just and that it can be maintained in no other way.

At the same time, while everybody should refrain from fanning whatever war flame may exist, and from putting obstacles in the way of a peaceful settlement, it is the part of prudence to prepare for the worst. All the concessions that we, without sacrifice of honor, can make may not be sufficient to avert an appeal to arms. England may be more incorrigible than we think she will be. Naval vessels now on the stocks should be hurried to completion and the defenses of our coast cities should be strengthened as rapidly as possible. Such preparations will not tend to prevent a peaceful settlement which everybody so much desires. On the contrary their influence will be in a directly opposite direction, since they will convince England that we will not shrink from war if war is necessary to maintain our rights and honor.

Best Little Purgative
I ever used," writes one lady, in regard to Hood's Pills. "They are so mild and do their work without any griping. I recommend them to all suffering from constiveness. They will certainly bring your habits regular."

Hood's Pills
Pills are rapidly increasing in favor. 25c.

A Necessity
for the invalid, a delicacy for the epicure, the latest, scientifically prepared breakfast food—

Mother's Crushed Oats
(1lb. Packages)

It's the lightest, daintiest, most nourishing of all grain foods. A trial will prove its superiority.

Brown & Josselyn,
Portland,
Agents for Maine,
Supply the trade.

AKRON CEREAL CO.,
1500 barrels daily. Akron, O.

To THE PISO COMPANY,
WARREN, PA.

Gentlemen:
With delight I recommend your

PISO'S CURE

for

CONSUMPTION

to others,
for it alone saved my life.

ADOLPH ZIMMER,
Bellwood, Neb., Apr. 13, 1895.



SAY! MISTER! YOU'VE DROPPED YOUR Battle AX PLUG
A GREAT BIG PIECE FOR 10 CENTS.
PIANOS!

Our Stock Was Not Especially Selected FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

It is just as we always carry. The largest and Best Assortment to be found East of Boston.

STEINWAY & SONS.
Hardman, Gabler, Bacon, and other First Class Pianos.

IN ALL THE LATEST DESIGNS AND POPULAR WOODS.

The fact that we are sole Wholesale and Retail representatives in the New England States FOR THE SALE OF

Eight of the representative Pianos of America, is sufficient guarantee of our ability to meet all competition. Old Pianos or Organs taken in exchange. Catalogues mailed free on application.

M. Steinert & Sons Co.,
517 CONGRESS STREET. T. C. McDUGDRICH, Manager.

dec 12 dtf

There's Trouble Brewing Here for Some One.

WHO SETTLES?

One suggestion is buy good furniture that which will stand the most grief, for monkey and parrot are everywhere in some form or other. We are headquarters for all the latest styles in furniture and carpets. Christmas is almost here, buy early while the assortment is best. Hall stands, Dining tables, China closets, Pictures, Dinner Sets and Toilet Sets. All Useful presents at prices within the reach of all. Call and look over our assortment and get our prices before making your purchases.

R. S. DAVIS & CO.,
108 Exchange St. Agents Famous Household Ranges.

dec 18 dtf

DO YOU APPRECIATE BARGAINS?

4 lbs. New Prunes, 25 cts. Can Salmon, 10 cts. can
4 lbs. Good Raisins, 25 cts. Pork Roasts, 8 cts. lb.
4 lbs. 3-Crown New Raisins, 25 cts. Beef Roasts, 6 to 12 cts. lb.
3 lbs. 4-Crown New Raisins, 25 cts. Corned Beef, 2 to 8 cts. lb.
4 lbs. New Clean Currants, 25 cts. Tamarinds, 8 cts. lb.
New Citron, 25 cts. 12 lbs. Silver Skinned Onions, 25 cts.
New Elder, (for pies only) 20 cts. 12 lbs. Sweet Potatoes, 25 cts.
Pie Beef, Suet and Spices, 50 cts. bush
New Eggs, Nuts and Dates, 50 cts. bush
10 lbs. Rolled Oats, 25 cts. St. Andrews Turnips, 50 cts. bush

S. A. MADDUX
35 & 37 Middle, 54 to 60 India Sts

DR. MOTT'S PENNYROYAL PILLS. The only safe, sure and reliable Female PILLS ever offered to Ladies, especially recommended to Ladies. Ask for DR. MOTT'S PENNYROYAL PILLS and take no other. Send for circular. Price \$1.00 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., - Cleveland, Ohio.

For sale by Landers & Rabbidge, 17 Monument Square, Portland Me.

VIOLETS AND CARNATIONS
At Forest City Greenhouses.
Telephone at Fickett's Drug Store, 195 Danforth St.

dec 11 mo

HOLIDAY GOODS.

A choice assortment of Novelties in China, Glass, Celluloid & Leather, Down Pillows, Down Comforters.

New style 5 o'clock Tea and Tray Cloths, round thread, fine 10-4 linen for embroidery.

HOLIDAY UMBRELLAS

for ladies and gentlemen, in Silk, Gloria, &c., including the close rolled, with gold sterling silver and natural handles. All at lower prices than ever. An appropriate present for a lady or gentleman, can be selected from this stock at the usual low dry goods store prices.

J. M. DYER & CO.

dec 14 dtf

THIS WILL INTEREST YOU.

While in Boston Wednesday, a representative of this firm came across something that attracted and held his attention.

It was a fine all wool Ulster in Oxford gray, wide collar, wool lining, well made. Sold scores of them last year and this at \$14.85.

He was offered the entire lot at a figure that would enable us to sell them at \$10.00 each.

He didn't buy, came home to dream about those Ulsters. Woke up determined to have 'em. Telegraphed for 'em and they're here.

Not a great many of them. Perhaps enough to last three days if Ulster wanters are slow in getting here.

Most all sizes. Don't expect to get so much for your money again this winter, or you won't.

A. F. HILL & CO.,
500 Congress St. dec 14 dtf

Girls' Silver Watches.

Sold Coin, Silver Stem Wind Watches, \$5.00 to \$10.00. Every watch warranted to keep good time, and my prices are the lowest. You can save money on Watches if you buy of

McKENNEY, the Jeweler,
Monument Square.
OPEN EVENINGS.

A HAPPY THOUGHT.

"I suppose" said the boy who will have to have a wheel next spring, anyway. Now why not kill two birds with one stone, and give him a Bicycle for a Christmas Present.

I see that McCausland has his '96 line now on sale. If I get it now, I shall be hearing about it for the next three months, and that's worth something."

So he went to

H. W. M'CAUSLAND,
416 Congress St. dtf

School of Drawing and Painting,
ALGER V. CURRIER, Instructor.
(Pupil of Boulangier, Lefebvre, Benj. Constant and Carolus Duran; Member Paris Association of American Artists.)
Commences Jan. 6, 1896—for 6 months. Terms—Day Classes \$10 per month; \$40 the season.
FREE SKETCH CLASS.
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For further information as to the school, and as to railroad fares for pupils living out of the city, apply by letter or in person to ALGER V. CURRIER, Hallowell, or to Portland Society of Art, School of Drawing and Painting, No. 6 Beving Place, Portland, Me. dec 14 dtf

REWARD! --- \$500

For the arrest and conviction of the parties who assaulted John H. Doyle, in a saloon on India Street, on or about the 17th day of September.

JAMES DOYLE, Victor, Col.

nov 28 dtf

MR. SAMUEL LEVY is now prepared to buy and clean all descriptions for highest cash prices. Address letters or postal to 100 MIDDLE STREET. sep 4 dtf

NORTHERN BANKING CO.,
53 Exchange Street,
BONDS and SECURITIES.

INTEREST PAID ON DEPOSITS

CHAS. S. FORBES, Pres.,
W. F. MILLIKEN, V. Pres.,
JAMES E. McDOWELL, Cashier,
JAMES E. HEWLEY, Secy.,
FRANCIS FESSENDEN,
CHAS. L. MARSTON, Secy.,
dec 21

AUCTION SALES
By F. O. BAILEY & CO., Auctioneers.
SPECIAL AUCTION SALE
—OF—
Crockery and Glass Ware, Lamps, Etc., Etc.

ON SATURDAY, December 21st, at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., at store No. 199 Middle St., near Casco Bank, we shall sell without reserve a large line of dinner sets, consisting of decorated German, China, English printed and American sets, piano and banquet lamps, brass and nickel, fancy cups and saucers, vases, jardinières, plated ware, knives, forks, spoons, etc., etc. Terms cash. dec 19 dtf

F. O. BAILEY & CO.,
Auctioneers and Commission Merchants
Salesroom 46 Exchange Street.
F. O. BAILEY. C. W. ALLEN dtf

Pine Tree Ticket Office,
UNDER U. S. HOTEL.
Special Excursion to Washington.

Raymond & Whitcomb's Excursions to A. la. la.
Special excursions to Atlanta.
Raymond and Whitcomb Excursions to California.
Special 9 mos. excursions to California. Special "Low rates" to Florida.
Low rates to or from all parts of Europe. Cheap rates to points North, South, East and West.
All arrangements made in advance. nov 22 1mo eod

BOYS' WATCHES.

Genuine Waltham, Double Stock Silver, Stem Wind, Only \$5.50. A Good Timer.

McKENNEY, the Jeweler,
Monument Square.
OPEN : EVENINGS.

Portland National Bank.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Portland National Bank of Portland, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally be presented, will be held at their banking house on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 1896, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

CHARLES G. ALLEN, Cashier, dec 14 dtf

SILVERWARE.

Rogers & Bro. A1 Star Brand Silver Plated Ware is the best, and every piece is warranted for 20 years.

Knives, \$3.50 per doz.
Tea Spoons, \$2.50.
Dessert Spoons, \$4.00.
Table Spoons, \$4.50.

We have a large variety of Berry Spoons, Pie Knives, Fish Sets, Cold Meat Forks, Gravy, Oyster and Soup Ladles, Fruit Knives, Nut Picks, Sugar Spoons and Butter Knives in plush lined cases, and they make a useful and pretty present.

Come and see the goods before you purchase.

McKENNEY,
the Jeweler,
MONUMENT SQUARE.
Open Evenings.

\$50 REWARD.

Cumberland ss. Sheriff's Office. Portland Me., Dec. 12, '95.

I will pay to any person or persons the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for the recovery of the body of a child, about two months old, supposed to have been abandoned in the woods near Prides Corner, Monday night, November 25th.

SAMUEL D. PLUMMER, Sheriff. dec 12 dtf

NOTICE.

The Chapman National Bank. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Chapman National Bank of Portland, Me., will be held at its Banking Rooms on Tuesday the 14th day of January, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting. CHESTER H. PRASE, Cashier. Portland, Dec. 14, 1895. dec 13 dtf

MISS A. L. SAWYER'S
SCHOOL OF SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING.
Also, Headquarters for Shorthand Work and Typewriting.
CENTENNIAL BLOCK, 93 EXCHANGE ST. dtf

Casco National Bank
—OF—
PORTLAND, MAINE.
195 Middle St. P. O. Box 1108.
Incorporated 1824.
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS

ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Current Accounts received on favorable terms.
Interest allowed on Time Deposits.
Correspondence solicited from Individuals, Corporations, Banks, and others desiring to open accounts, as well as from those wishing to transact Banking business of any description through this Bank.

STEPHEN R. SMALL, President.
MARSHALL A. GODDING, Cashier. dtf

NEW LOAN.
\$100,000
CITY OF BELFAST, MAINE.

10-30 4 Per Cent Bonds.

DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1895.

We recommend these bonds for Trust Funds

WOODBURY & MOULTON,
BANKERS.
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INVESTMENTS.

Town of Dexter, Maine, 6's.
Town of Pittsfield, Maine, 4's.
City of Zanesville, Ohio, 4 1-2's.
City of Springfield, Ohio, 5's.
City of Ashland, Wisconsin, 6's.
Borough of Braddock, Penna., 4 1-2's and 5's.
Portland Water Company, 4's and 5's.
Portland & Ogdensburg Railway Stock.
Dividends guaranteed by Maine Central Railroad.

—FOR SALE BY—
H. M. PAYSON & CO.,
BANKERS, dtf

BONDS.

OLD COLONY R.R.
4's, due 1924.
BOSTON & MAINE R. R.
4's, due 1937.

GEO. F. DUNCAN,
42 Exchange St. dtf

CHICAGO DRAINAGE,
5 Per Cent. Bonds,
Due July 1, 1901.
Interest Payable January and July 1.

These bonds are issued by the Sanitary District of Chicago, a municipal corporation regularly organized under a general act of the legislature of the State of Illinois, in pursuance of a popular vote of the electors within its limits, which include practically the entire City of Chicago, and the greater part of the adjoining populous towns of Cicero and Lyons.

—FOR SALE BY—
SWAN & BARRETT,
BANKERS. dtf

WANTED.

LEEDS AND FARMINGTON
6's
—BY THE—
PORTLAND TRUST COMPANY.
nov 23 dtf

NOTICE.

There will be a free Lecture in City Hall, Friday Evening, December 20th, at eight o'clock, by Rev. G. M. Howe, Pastor of the First Congregational Church of Lewiston, Me. Subject: God's Hand in American History. All are invited to be present and enjoy a most interesting address by a resident of our own State. A collection will be taken to pay expense of the hall. dec 18 dtf

EXHIBITION AND SALE OF OIL AND WATER COLOR PAINTINGS
And Decorated Novelties by
Frank L. Bowle, 48 Congress St.,
Will continue until after Christmas. Open every afternoon. dec 17-1w

TICKETS FOR EUROPE.
via S. S. MONGOLIAN, sailing on
Thursday, Dec. 26th.
Can be obtained of
H. G. STARR, 2 1-2 Union Wharf.
Agents for Altan, Dominion, Cunard, Atlantic Transport and White Star Lines. 621240013me

Portland Theatre,
G. E. LOTHROP, Prop.

TO-DAY,

GILBERT OPERA CO.

LIVING PICTURES.

—IN—
MATINEE,

CHIMES OF NORMANDY.

PIRATES OF PENZANCE.

—REPERTOIRE—
Saturday Matinee, Ollivette
Saturday Evening, Ollivette
Monday, Dec. 23, to be announced.
Seats Now on Sale at Box Office.
FOUR LAR PRICES—Evenings, 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Matinee, best seats, 25c.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
Dec. 24th and 25th,

XMAS MATINEE,

A BLACK SHEEP.

Seats now on sale at Box Office.

CITY HALL,
Saturday Matinee & Evening, Dec. 28,
LECTURE BY LIEUT.

PEARY,
The Arctic Explorer.

EVENING—THIRD STOCKBRIDGE.
Tickets, 25, 35, 50 and 75c.
Matinee for children and pupils of all schools—
all seats reserved—Adults, 25c.; Children, 15c.
Tickets on sale Saturday morning at Stockbridge's.

KELLER TICKETS on sale at same time.

Course Tickets—10 Entertainments—
\$2.50, \$3.25 and \$4.00.
HALF FARE on M. C. R. R. to all holding "Peary" tickets.
Half fare to Matinee on P. & R. R. Late train on G. T. R. R. dec 19 dtf

CITY HALL,
Xmas Afternoon
and Evening,

THE EVER POPULAR OPERA
H. M. S. Pinafore.
SEVENTY FIVE PEOPLE
IN THE CAST.

New Scenery of Portsmouth Harbor, England, Splendid new Costumes and Chorus Effects. "Full Rigged Ship." W. E. Chandler, Musical conductor. Jas. A. Montgomery stage Manager.

No expense will be spared to make this the operative event of the season.

Seats now on sale at Chandler's Music Store. Prices Evening, 25, 35, 50 cents. Matinee, 25 and 35 cents. dec 1

MISCELLANEOUS.

"Is in Town Honey."

AUNT JEMIMA'S

Pancake Flour.

A combination of the great stuffs of life WHEAT, CORN and RICE.

A grocer who offers you any other colored package than Red when you ask for the Genuine Aunt-Jemima is trying to deceive you, and if he deceives you in this matter he may in your accounts. Remember the Red package. Beware of counterfeits.

HERE'S OUR GUARANTEE.

Buy a package of Genuine Aunt-Jemima's Pancake Flour, and if you do not find it makes the best cake you ever ate, return the package to your grocer, have your name and the process will refund the money and charge.

Scientifically Prepared and Malted by

R. T. DAVIS MILL CO., St. Joseph, Mo.

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TO NONE

Reichardt's Extracts

(Triple Strength.)

20c AN OZ.

\$1.50 A BOTTLE.

GEO. G. FRYE,

Apothecary.

ALL ODORS

dec19 dit

HOLIDAY

Handkerchief Sale.

300 dozen All Linen Handkerchiefs, imported expressly for our

HOLIDAY SALES

will be sold about

1-4 Less Than Usual Prices.

Hemmed, hemstitched, embroidered, initial and colored borders for gents, ladies and children. You will save money by buying handkerchiefs of us, and have the best assortment to select from. Also ladies and gents plain and initial silk handkerchiefs and muffers.

Novelties in ladies new

HOLIDAY NECKWEAR.

AT

VERY LOW PRICES.

J. M. DYER & CO.

dec14dt

PENDEXTER'S.

OPTICAL GOODS

We have everything pertaining to Optics goods. Also a large stock of Christmas Goods, Watches, Clocks, in all styles from the elegant Marble and Onyx to the Nickel Alarm. I also have an endless variety of novelties in Silver, including Mantle Sets, Paper Cutters, Match Boxes, Mantel in Silver cases, Coat Pliers in Case, Pin Cushions, Emery Bags, Razor Cases in silver case, Thimbles in Solid Silver. Aluminum all sizes at low prices.

E. S. PENDEXTER,

561 Congress St.

Portland, Me.

WOOD MANTELS

and TILING.

Largest and finest stock. Lowest Prices.

W. A. ALLEN,

Foot of Frodo Street, dt

DEERING.

The Christmas sale and fair, which the ladies of the Congregational church have been holding in the vestry, closed last evening after being successful in every way except the fire. The vestry was very prettily decorated for the occasion. The booths representing the four seasons, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. One of the novelties of the fair was a cake, which was made by one of the ladies, and being sold in slices and accompanying each slice was the following rule for making the cake, which is found in the Bible. The cake is appropriately named Scripture Cake. During the evening the following musical programme of unusual excellence was rendered:

Thio-Barbar of Seville Miss Cheney Solo-Summer, Reading, Miss Elwell Piano Solo, Miss Cheney Solo-Don't Be Cross, Miss Cheney Duet-7th Mass Country Dance and Mazurka.

Mrs. Morrill and Miss Adams. A few words were said by Rev. E. P. Wilson, the pastor.

The marriage of Miss Georgiana Mary Smith, daughter of Mr. Manasseh Smith of Spring street, to Mr. Henry Neely Ogden of Ithaca, New York, son of Rev. Charles T. Ogden, will take place Thursday, December 26th.

We would suggest that the Portland Railroad company place signs on their poles at the corner of Spring street and Forest avenue to inform their patrons where the Deering and Westbrook cars stop, as a great many people stand on the wrong corner and are obliged to follow the car around the turn.

The marriage of Miss Grace E. Buck, daughter of Theodore P. Buck, and Thaddeus L. Dodge, station agent of the Portland & Westbrook at Westbrook, took place Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's father, Forest avenue, Morrill's. Rev. C. E. Andrews performed the marriage ceremony, after which a wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Dodge will be at home after January 1st, 40 Central street, Westbrook.

WESTBROOK.

Mr. Wm. Stiles, who received a severe fall on the ice on the Presumpscot last week, starting several ribs, was out for the first time yesterday, after having been confined to the house one week with his injuries.

Miss Grace Graves of Portland, was the guest of Miss Carrie Pratt of Church street, Wednesday.

The Christmas number of the Berean Church Register, a local sheet, edited by Elder M. S. Nelson of the Berean Advent church, is out. It is an entertaining little sheet.

The "Winter Picnic" given under the auspices of the members of Mrs. Brook's class at the Congregational vestry, last evening, was largely attended. The entertainment was novel and very interesting.

Rev. E. P. Woodward of Portland, addressed a fair sized audience at the Advent church, Wednesday evening. Subject: "The Roman Catholic Church. What It Is, What It Has Been, and What It Claims to Do, and What Will Become of It."

The thaw is giving Superintendent Spring opportunity to perfect the arrangements for the ice carnival.

Mr. Daniel Oressey is confined to the house with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. Will Thorne is sick with a severe cold.

Mr. J. R. Andrews who has been confined to his home with a severe cold for the past few days is a little better, and is able to be out on pleasant days.

A large crew of carpenters are at work making repairs at the Weston mill, preparatory to its being occupied by a reaper and binder leather board manufacturing company.

The American band gave a free open air concert to Mr. and Mrs. Mark E. Allen, at their home in Bridge street, Wednesday evening. After several selections were rendered Mr. Allen invited the band in and cigars were passed around.

Naomi Lodge, D. of R., are to give an entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall, Christmas night to raise funds to furnish the hall with new scenery.

THE GREAT TOBACCO WAR.

Many of our readers know of the war existing between the manufacturers of plug chewing tobacco, but we, perhaps, are familiar with the cause.

For years some manufacturers have been making enormous profits by giving consumers a small piece of plug for ten cents. Recently a very large manufacturer, seeing that the time had come for better things, has placed a new brand called Battle-Ax on the market, which gives the consumer a very large piece of most excellent quality for the same price. This has raised a great storm among those who are hurt by it, but it gives joy to those who use the goods. In Battle-Ax they get a greater quantity for their money, while the quality is equal to the finest of other brands. This has naturally had the effect of greatly decreasing the business of those who have held to the old way, and it has materially curtailed their enormous profits. On the other hand Battle-Ax now taxes the resources of three large factories, which, by running night and day are still unable to make the goods fast enough to satisfy the enthusiastic demand.

The people want a good thing, and the most of it that they can get for the price. The manufacturers who do the best by them will get their trade. Their rivals naturally do not like it. They raise a mighty howl, but the AX will out them down.

In the U. S. Court.

In the United States court yesterday a hearing was returned on the petitions of John A. Emory & Co., John E. Bradford & Co., The Portland Shipbuilding Co., George E. Harriman, The Thomas Laughlin Co. of this city, H. Hamblin of Boston and Eben G. Abbott and James Abbott of Gloucester, Mass., for the intervention of the government in their favor in the case of Charles H. Bain, libellant, against the schooner George W. Pierce.

It will be remembered that Mr. Bain got a judgment against the schooner and it was ordered sold. All the above parties also have claims against the schooner. Yesterday, only Mr. Emory appeared with his counsel, Hon. George E. Bird. His claim for a bill of goods delivered to the schooner was argued, but no decision given.

The proprietors of Salvation Oil will pay a large reward, if any certificate published by them is not found genuine.

SOUTH PORTLAND.

PLEASANTDALE.

Miss May E. Nutter spent Wednesday the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edgar K. Thurston, Ligon.

Mr. John Cash is very ill at his home on Hill street with pneumonia.

Master Harry Taylor has been confined to his house the past few days with a severe cold.

Mrs. Lamb of Portland was the guest of Mrs. Charles Sutherland and Miss Emma Crosby at the depot, last week.

The skating at Clark's pond has called a great many young people from the city. Among the number were noticed our friends, Mr. Fred Hayden and Mr. Ernest E. Soule, who is a former resident of Pleasantdale. The skating has been excellent for the past week.

Miss Alice M. Corwell of Cape Elizabeth was the guest of her friend, Miss Eva M. Fickett last week.

Mr. Benjamin Thaxter, a student at Yale College, is spending the Christmas holidays with his cousin, Mr. Edgar W. Thompson, of Evans street.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury D. Foster of Lynn, Mass., are in Pleasantdale, called here by the critical illness of Mrs. Foster's father, Mr. Lewis Jordan.

Miss Bessie J. Burgess of Pleasantdale, has entered the employ of Woolworth in Portland.

Mr. Parker J. Small has returned from his visit to Clinton, Mass., where he was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Clara Helms.

Mrs. Soule and Miss Clara of Portland, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Hamilton on Sunday.

Miss Jennie E. Reynolds, assisted by her pupils in elocution, gave a recital at Brown's Hill church last Monday evening. There were recitations by Ethel Mountfort, Bessie Shorey, Alice Sutherland, Flora Huston, Lucy Cotton, Mildred Woods, Alice Reynolds, Misses Taylor, Smith and Skillings, and songs by Miss Ada Fickett of Portland, made up a very pleasant evening, and was much enjoyed by the large number present.

Brown's Hill Sunday school will give on Christmas eve a cantata entitled "A Good Time with Santa Claus," and it promises to be a success in every way.

THE MUNICIPAL COURT.

BEFORE JUDGE ROBINSON.

Thursday—Melvin E. Wedge was fined \$3 and costs this morning for intoxication.

Morgan J. Foley and Martin J. Feeney, who were sentenced to six months' imprisonment in jail yesterday for assault on Peter Niles, and who entered an appeal, withdrew their appeal today and were committed to serve their sentences.

For rheumatism I have found nothing equal to Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It relieves the pain as soon as applied. J. W. Young, West Liberty, W. Va. The prompt relief it affords is alone worth many times the cost, 50 cents. Its continued use will effect a permanent cure. For sale by Landers & Babbidge, Drugists, Portland, and C. B. Woodman, Westbrook.

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As exclusive manufacturers and dealers in Reliable Clothing for Men and Boys we can simply say that now is a great opportunity to secure our own make of good clothing at VERY LOW PRICES.

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Men's heavy all wool Usters, sizes 34 to 44, \$18, 20 and 25 quality, reduced to **\$15.00.**

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"King Frizee Uster," black or dark gray, sizes 34 to 50, a regular \$18.00 coat, reduced to **\$12.00.**

Men's fine Black Kersey Overcoats, sizes 34 to 48, the latest thing, perfect in fit and style, reduced from 12.00 and 15.00 to **\$8.75 and 9.75.**

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Men's fine all pure worsted black clay diagonal sack Suits, reduced from \$15.00 to **\$10.00.**

Lot of Vests, sizes 34 to 37, reduced from \$2.00 and 2.50 to only **\$1.00.**

FOR BOYS.

Fauntleroy Suits, ages 8 to 9 years, mostly in handsome blue all wool chevrons, reduced from \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$8.00, to only **\$2.57, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.**

Lot of fine Sailor Suits, ages 4 to 10, reduced from \$3.50 to only **\$3.00.**

Boy's Usters, ages 5 to 15, reduced from \$3.00 and \$10.00 to only **\$2.00.**

Lot of Boy's Reefers, ages 4 to 8, reduced from \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00, to only **\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.**

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Large Boy's fine Overcoats, ages 14 to 18, reduced from \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$20.00 to **\$10 and \$12.**

Boy's Reefers Suits, \$3.50 quality, reduced to only **\$1.75.**

Boy's fine wool knee pant Suits, ages 5 to 15, reduced from \$3.50, \$5.00 and \$10.00 to **\$5.00.**

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTICE.—We sell Fancy Cluster Raisins 15c lb. London Layer Raisins, 25c; Cooking Raisins, 4c; Dates, 4 lb. box, 25c; French Cream Candy, 12c; Fancy Mixed Candy, 10c; Best Layer Figs, 14c; Rice Snaps, 6c; 10c; 3 lbs. Prunes 25c; Oranges, Grapes and Nuts in abundance. Whitney, the Grocer, 21 Congress St.

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SMITH'S SAW SHOP. 31 Temple St. S. closed from Monday, Dec. 23d, to Monday, Jan. 6th, 1896. 16-1

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CUMBERLAND NATIONAL BANK.

THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Cumberland National Bank of Portland will be held at the banking rooms on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January, 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the choice of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them.

H. S. SOULE, Cashier. Portland, Dec. 13, 1895. 14-1m

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

THE undersigned having been appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Cumberland, on the fifteenth day of November A. D. 1895, commissioners to receive and examine the claims of creditors against the estate of Nancy B. Fuller, late of Salem, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, deceased, who died leaving an estate to be administered in said county represented insolvent, hereby give notice that six months from date of said appointment are allowed to said creditors in which to present and approve their claims, and that they will be in session at the office of John B. Pierce, 30 Exchange street, Portland, at the times hereinafter mentioned, for the purpose of receiving claims and settling the same.

At Saturday, the 11th of January, 1896, at 3 p. m. Saturday the 7th of March, 1896, at 3 p. m. Saturday, the 2nd of May, 1896, at 3 p. m.

Dated this 5th day of December, A. D. 1895.

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Larabee's White Store.
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New Wants, To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found and similar advertisements will be found under their appropriate heads on Page 6.

No Christmas and New Years' table should be without a bottle of Dr. Siefert's Angostura Bitters, the world renowned appetizer of exquisite flavor. Beware of counterfeits!

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Has been used over Fifty Years by millions of mothers for their children while Teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, cures Wind Colic, regulates the bowels, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea whether arising from teething or other causes. For sale by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup in a bottle.

THE SURVEYORSHIP.

Col. Wentworth's Commission Expired Wednesday. The Candidates and Their Prospects—W. H. Anderson Said to Be the Only One to Have Secured an Interview With Cleveland.

Col. Wentworth's commission as surveyor of the port expired on Wednesday of this week, he had really been in office four years, one month and eighteen days, because he has two commissions, the first of which is dated November 1st. The second is dated December 18th and is a recess commission, its signing having been delayed because of a recess in the Senate.

Of course it is now time for his successor to be appointed. The most prominent candidates are John C. Cobb, Chas. McCarthy, William H. Anderson, Charles S. Denko and William H. Moulton of Portland, Hon. Charles E. Johnson of Waterville, and Kimball Eastman of Westbrook.

It is said that Mr. Anderson has a very strong backing in the support of the Cumberland club, and that he has had a talk with President Cleveland, none of the others having secured such an interview, though most of them have been on to Washington to look out for their chances.

A prominent Democrat said yesterday that he believed that Hon. Charles E. Johnson would get this plum of \$4500 a year, although Kimball Eastman has the support of the Press Trust.

Mr. Johnson has made a hard fight in two hopeless campaigns for the governorship and should have some recognition.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. G. M. Rowe, of this city, is visiting relatives in Oakland.

Mrs. E. D. Cole, of this city, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Goulding, of Oakland.

J. M. Samson, of this city, was in Gardiner Wednesday.

Mrs. J. S. Moxey, of Gardiner, is visiting friends in this city.

W. E. St. John and degree staff of this city, consisting of Philip Doyen, J. D. Randall, W. P. Brown, John E. Muntfort and A. T. Brackett, all of Portland, were in Hallowell, Tuesday evening, and instituted Annabessacook Hay Loft, No. 26½ with 19 charter members.

Hon. S. S. Brown, of Waterville, was in this city on business Wednesday.

E. A. Kimball and D. W. Ames, of this city, were in Auburn Wednesday.

Mr. Fred O. Conant, of Portland, was in Lewiston Wednesday.

Mr. Geo. Gilchrist, driver of ladder 3, who was injured going to a fire last July, has now nearly recovered and will report for duty again the first of the year.

Dr. E. A. Pond of Bangor, formerly of this city, has been elected a member of the Penobscot County Medical Association.

The Diocese of Chicago has conferred the degree of L. H. D. upon the Rev. Arthur D. Little, rector of St. Mark's, Evanston, an honor well deserved by one of our most scholarly clergymen.

Judge Foster of Bethel, was in the city on business yesterday.

C. H. Hooper, Esq., member of the legislature from Castine, was in the city yesterday.

James W. Ellsworth, manager of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company for Northern Ohio, with headquarters at Cleveland, is in the city on a business visit to the home office.

Among the arrivals at the Preble house yesterday were the following: J. F. Kelly, Bangor; E. E. Lathrop, Pawtucket; R. A. Finn and wife, Hartland; C. H. Adams, Limerick; J. Cote, Berlin; W. O. Hewes, E. W. Williams, F. G. Riddle, Boston; C. E. Dow, Springfield; S. S. Banks, Bridgeport; F. W. Collamore, W. S. Gahagan, New York.

Fred Plaisted left for Boston last evening where he will fill an engagement at the Howard. He will give exhibitions on his rowing machines.

Extinguished the Flames With Milk. Lewis Hanson, the milkman of Orrs Island, on returning home from meeting on Tuesday night, found his house on fire. He ran in to quench the blaze that had caught from the stove funnel but found his wasp bucket empty. He rushed out to fill it and lost it in the well. He is too resourceful a man to be defeated by a little difficulty like that. He ran into his dairy and seized one after can of milk and threw their contents on the flames.

The White Store.

Mr. Larabee is booming things at the White Store this week. Never before has the book in which it is situated offered so many buyers and that is saying a great deal. But Mr. Larabee knows how to tempt the shrewd buyers and since he has moved uptown has spared no efforts to bring people his way. Don't fail to look over his Christmas goods.

Christmas Trees.

On Tuesday evening next the annual Christmas tree festival will be held at the Gospel Mission. We have a large number of children to provide for, and as the season is an extremely hard one, I most cordially invite all who will aid me in making some little hearts merry to send donations to the Gospel Mission, or 125 Park street on or before Tuesday next.

S. E. PEARSON.

VETERAN FIRE FIGHTERS.

Annual Meeting of the Portland Veteran Firemen.

President Fox Re-elected, but Clerk Plummer Declines Further Honors.

There was a very long, but good natured annual meeting of the Portland Veteran Firemen last evening. The first thing they talked over was the question, "Is this building safe?" and the 128 veterans present were for a time in some doubt. It isn't an old building when compared with the Egyptian pyramids, but for a Portland structure it is getting well along, but it was built upon honor, and a committee selected sometime ago reported that it was all right and bound to stay so. The walls are as strong as walls need to be, and the timbers are large and as sound as a nut.

"We will now proceed to the election of officers," said President Fox, and then he waited for a nomination for the office of president, just as if he didn't know that there was only one name likely to be presented. The veterans might doubt the strength of their new building, but they didn't entertain the slightest doubt regarding the proper man for the presidency of the association, and Vice-president Plaisted put the motion that was carried unanimously, and Henry Fox was elected again, as everybody knew he would be, and as everyone wanted him to be.

E. K. Guenther, Nahum Littlefield and James E. Harmon were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes, and they worked in return for their honors, as nearly every officer was voted for, and generally three to four candidates were presented. There was a sharp contest over the selection of directors for three years, and for second assistant foreman, A. H. Leonard and M. L. Stickney were the contestants.

Clerk Plummer declined a re-election much to the regret of his associates who would have gladly retained him in the position he had filled from the organization of the association.

The following officers were chosen:

President—Henry Fox.

First Vice-president—J. W. Plaisted.

Second Vice-president—Nahum Littlefield.

Clerk—Andrew McDonald.

Financial Secretary—Richard H. Ball.

Treasurer—A. J. Cummings.

Directors for three years—G. F. Dam, W. C. Hart and B. L. Sawyer.

Director or one year—Capt. John B. Brown.

Foreman—W. W. Ruby.

First Assistant Foreman—Edward Griffin.

Second Assistant Foreman—M. L. Stickney.

Capt. Brown was selected to fill out the term of the late Charles Q. Norton. It was voted to hold a meeting of the association next Thursday evening.

Council of Administration, G. A. R.

These gentlemen, members of the Council of Administration, G. A. R., met in this city, Wednesday evening:

Department officers—Wm. H. Green, Portland; Terence C. Goodwin, Bangor; Wm. H. True, Portland; J. N. Webster, Lovell.

Official staff—A. M. Sawyer, Portland; John Williamson, Portland; Wm. H. Simmons, Rockland; Leroy T. Carleton, Winthrop; Moses A. Safford, Kittery; Cyrus T. Wardwell, Oxford.

Council of Administration—Murray B. Watson, Auburn; Josiah F. Day, Springvale; Geo. B. Haskell, Lewiston; John P. Carson, Mt. Vernon; Charles H. Hooper, Castine.

It was voted that the roll of the encampment and the reports of the officers be printed before the next encampment meeting.

The assistant adjutant general was authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the accommodation of the comrades who attend the next council of departments meetings which are to be held at Bangor. The advisability of having a permanent headquarters established at Augusta came up for discussion and was argued to some length. The subject of incorporation was laid over until the next council meeting.

The books and records of the organization at present stored in the public library will be removed soon to the permanent headquarters.

BRIEF JOTTINGS.

Yesterday was a very mild day, the mercury nearly touching 50 in the shade. The gutters were full of slush and the crosswalks something awful.

The children of the North school kindergarten will have their Christmas tree this morning, and many parents and friends have been invited to be present.

One of the men connected with the Gilbert Opera Company, now playing here, lost a wallet containing \$45 at Music Hall, in Auburn last Saturday. He left it in the water-closet, just under the stage entrance on Lisbon street. It was gone when he came for it a few moments later.

The 11th annual reunion of the graduates of Shaw's business college will be held on the evening of January 4, 1896. The invitations to the event are signed by Mary A. White, Alice M. Meagher, Lyle S. Meagher and Harry M. Harmon.

A strong movement is on foot for the formation of a hook and ladder company on the hill and an engine company at Lithbytown.

The first shad of the season have been received at Lombard's fish market, Congress street. This is very unusual as they have never before been received until February.

The annual inspection of Bosworth Post will take place at the hall this evening. Comrade John Williamson will be the inspecting officer.

There were but two arrests made all day yesterday, both were for intoxication.

There will be a special meeting of the ladies' auxiliary of the Catholic Total Abstinence Society on Friday evening, December 20, in order to complete arrangements for the millinery party which is to take place in the near future.

Dr. Blackhead will take as the subject of his Christmas sermon on Sunday morning, "Not War, but Peace—an Anti-Jingo sermon."

A decree was handed down in the United States circuit court at Providence Thursday, relieving from further duties the receivers of the N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co.

S. E. PEARSON.

MAINE HISTORICAL PAPERS.

Read at the Regular Meeting Yesterday.

History of New Sweden by Hon. W. W. Thomas Jr.—History of Gambo and Col. Thos. Goldthwait.

The Maine Historical Society held a regular meeting yesterday afternoon. The first paper was by Samuel T. Dole, of Windham, entitled "Gambo Old and New." One of the first settlers at Gambo was John Lovett, who was born in Cape Elizabeth in 1743. He moved to the falls at Gambo and operated a grist mill there.

In 1819 Edward Fowley and Gesler Laughlin came from Massachusetts and built a small powder mill on the Gorham side. They continued business there till 1837 when they were both accidentally drowned in Sebago Lake.

Mr. Dole continued by narrating the salient facts of the history of the powder mills, which have been frequently published. It is claimed that the name Gambo arose from the tradition that in the early days a Gorham sea-captain brought home a negro from the West Indies, named Gambo. He found a home at the falls and being a skillful fiddler was very popular with the young people. It was common among them to say "Let's go over to Gambo's."

In regard to explosions Mr. Dole said that he had got a list of fatalities that gave the names of 41 men who have been blown up, of which only one survived. This list is probably the only one extant. It was kept by Mr. Benjamin Hooper and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary Hooper. Mr. Hooper is an aged employee of the company.

"Col. Thomas Goldthwait of Ft. Powall, Was He a Tory?" was the title of a paper by Col. R. G. Carter, U. S. A., of Washington. It was a long paper and only a portion of it was read by Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Ft. Powall was built at the mouth of the Penobscot river in 1759. It was destroyed by Capt. James Cargill in 1775. From 1759 to 1775, Col. Thomas Goldthwait was commander of the fort. He has a bad reputation among the historians of that region. There are traditions that the Indians denounced him as faithless and cruel. One historian says that he betrayed the fort to the British in 1775. The author of the paper, Col. Carter, is a descendant of Thos. Goldthwait. His paper undertook to prove that his ancestor was not a Tory in the sense that he took any active part in England's interest and that he was not cruel or tyrannous, but kind and just.

At the request of Hon. J. H. Drummond, his paper entitled "Concerning the Rogers Family of Plymouth and Vicinity," was placed on file without being read.

THE EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was devoted to an address by Hon. W. W. Thomas, Jr., in which he narrated the history of the town of New Sweden in Aroostook. This is the address that he delivered at the recent anniversary exercises in that town.

To read it in the papers and to hear Mr. Thomas deliver it are, of course, two very different mental impressions. New Sweden's history has a peculiar interest. It is especially fascinating when narrated by its originator.

The 25th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims will be celebrated at Plymouth next Saturday. Senator Hoar will deliver the oration. The Maine Historical Society will be represented by Rev. Dr. Burrage. At the meeting yesterday the society adopted a statement to be sent by Dr. Burrage when it extends "greeting to the Pilgrim Society, with the assurance of its fellowship in maintaining and extending the principles which brought the Pilgrims to these New England shores."

Maine Amateur Press Association.

The semi-annual meeting of the Maine Amateur Press Association, will meet December 27th, at Bangor, with the editorial board of "The Oracle." This meeting will commence at two o'clock in the afternoon, and four papers, namely, "The Price of School Papers," "The Editorial in School Papers," "How Far a School Paper Should Be Litterary," and "How Far a School Paper Should Be a Newspaper," will be given, after which a general discussion will take place, conducted by the president. As the meeting last spring at Portland was such a success, it is assured that this meeting will be a great benefit to our school journals.

His Name Was Charles Hanson.

Charles Hanson, the man who refused to give his name Tuesday night, was yesterday morning before Judge Robinson, charged with breaking into the stores of D. J. Fernald & Co., and George F. Lovett and stealing goods from each. He was bound over to the January grand jury in the sum of \$300.

What

You want of a medicine is that it shall do you good—purify and enrich your blood, throw off that tired feeling, and give you health, strength, courage and ambition.

Hood's

Sarsaparilla is the only true blood purifier prominently in the public eye today, and it meets these requirements perfectly. This is proved by the testimony of thousands of people. Hood's

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Builds up the nerves by feeding them on pure blood, creates an appetite by toning the digestive organs, overcomes that tired feeling by giving vitality to the blood, and gives sweet refreshing sleep. You may realize that Hood's Sarsaparilla

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this by giving it a fair trial. Insist upon Hood's and only Hood's. \$1; six for \$5.

Hood's Pills act harmoniously with Hood's Sarsaparilla, &c.

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GRAND Christmas Carnival!

Come here when you will—in the morning if you can—you'll be sure to find something to interest you. A stock that is bigger, better and brighter than ever before, dwarfing all previous efforts into insignificance by comparison. The store is filled with substantial gifts, the kind that combine utility with beauty. The choice line of

CHINA AND CUT GLASS

is exquisitely beautiful. Blue Delft, Carlsbad, Dresden, Wedgewood and Cut Glass, in Pitchers, Vases, Trays, Plaques, Jardinières, Plates, Pin Trays, Puff Boxes, Loving Cups, Syrups, Individual Salts, &c., &c. Your taste has a grand chance here. A Personal visit will show you lower prices than has ever been quoted on all kinds of goods.

Every lady likes to have a complete equipment of Toilet and Manicure articles on her dresser. We have all of these in Celluloid and Aluminum, also perfumes, some of them costly because they are fine quality, and many of them very cheap.

Pen Knives

AND

Pocket Knives.

You have two hundred here to pick from. Silver Novelties, little useful things for Men, Women, Boys and Girls. Rings—children's solid gold chased band Rings, 25c each, and other styles in better qualities.

DOLLS.

Pretty faces, well built forms, stylishly dressed, from 10 cents upward.

Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Books, Umbrellas,

and a thousand suitable gifts, each department being full and and brimming over.

The Men's Furnishing Department has a large assortment that is remarkable for its extreme fashionableness. Anything selected from this line, you may be sure, will please "him" who receives it, whatever it is. You'll find too, that you are buying a little better for a little less than you can anywhere else.

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EVENINGS
—UNTIL—
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White Store, 516 Congress St.

Mothers of Maine.

Mrs. Helen Coffin Beady's book, Mothers of Maine, extracts from which were published in these columns some time since, has just been issued by The Thurston Print, and is for sale at Stevens & Jones', and Loring, Short & Harmon's. It is a handsomely bound volume of 451 pages, printed on thick paper with wide margins, and in every way a credit to the publishers. Mrs. Beady has gathered together in this volume a great deal of interesting information about mothers of Maine from its earliest settlement down to the present, and then tells what Maine women have accomplished in business, temperance, anti-slavery, Sunday schools, as teachers, physicians, nurses, preachers, hostesses, authors, philanthropists and finally in the numerous clubs which now exist everywhere. The book will make a very acceptable holiday gift.

A Fine Calendar.

The calendar for 1896, presented by the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston, is a beauty. At the top is this quotation from the Records of Oxford Mass., by Mary DeWitt Freeland: The teacher made the figures on the sandal floor with her rod and her pupils with their squares copied pieces of bark and bits of charcoal copied the suns she had given them." Beneath is the representation of the old fashioned kitchen serving as a school room. On the one

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side is the high backed settee with the children. Just behind it can be seen a boy who has got a string tied to the neck of the family cat. On the other side in a high backed chair sits the school marm with a long rod in hand with which she traced the figures on the floor. At one side of her stands a little girl reciting, and at the other the naughty boy with dunce's cap. One boy is pulling chestnuts from the fire with the tongs. On the broad mantle are the household dishes, and overhead hang the ears of corn. It is a correct picture of a New England School in the old colonial times, 1713.

He Will Be Tried in January.

James Lewis, once convicted of the murder of Byron G. Coburn of Gorham, but granted a new trial, is to be tried at the January term of the Superior court without a jury, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding. The prosecuting officers are now preparing their case and will make another attempt to convict the accused man.

Remains Sent to Thomaston.

New York, December 19.—The body of Frank Vesper one of the victims of yesterday's explosion of the St. Paul, was shipped to Thomaston, Me., today, at the request of Vesper's brother.

HOT BEEF TEA, With a Lunch Roll, 10c at Hay's Pharmacy.

C. L. & D. S.
An enthusiastic meeting of the Catholic Literary and Debating Society was held last evening at their hall on Congress street, and the following officers were elected:
President—James E. Butler.
First Vice-president—Percy R. Horton.
Second Vice-president—Geo. W. Dawson.
Corresponding Secretary—Geo. W. Driscoll.
Recording Secretary—Jos. H. Donohue.
Financial Secretary—E. J. Quinn.
Treasurer—M. S. Burke.
Critic—D. E. Kerr.
Investigating Committee—John Hadjior, Joseph Douglass, Thomas A. Flaherty.
Library Committee—F. F. Driscoll, D. F. Magner, E. G. Baker.
Auditor—Thos. E. Hannegan.
Sergeant-at-Arms—J. J. A. Mulhearn.

A Splendid Thermometer.
Some time ago the thermometer in front of the Falmouth hotel was broken. It was a capital instrument, and its loss was much felt by citizens who, as they passed, relied on its readings. The Atlantic Coast Line company has supplied Mr. Martin with a magnificent new one, four feet long, with its gradings clearly marked, and it has been placed in position. It will prove a great convenience.

J. R. LIBBY.

Pick blindfolded here and you make no mistake. For Christmas is everywhere from threshold to rear wall.

YOU MAY BEGIN picking when you step over the door sill.

For Umbrellas are right by the door on the right.

Umbrellas the ideal Christmas present.

FOR \$1.25 you may have your welcome pick of a dozen styles. Ladies' Umbrellas, rain proof stuff, varagon frames, Congo natural wood sticks, \$1.25. \$1.50 Carolla covering, with case, natural sticks. \$2.00, 2.49, 3.00. Some are Taffeta coverings, newest style sticks. \$3.00 gold plated handle with Tiger Eye stone, gloria and silk and wool coverings. \$4.00 beautiful pearl handles, fine silk Taffeta. \$5.00 and \$6.00. Elegant Dresden handles.

MEN'S UMBRELLAS. Taffeta and Gloria and Carolla coverings, Sterling silver trimmed, natural wood sticks. The newest wood is Madagascar as full of minute bunches as a ship's hull is of barnacles. Moderate prices.

JUST BEYOND are the men's Christmas Neckties, without which no Christmas Eve is correct. Dark and light ties, satin and brocade silk. Every newest shape.

Many of them seem like hand-painted, 25 cts., 50 cts., 75 cts., 98 cts., \$1.00.

STRAIGHT IN FRONT, close by the door, are the Artistic Celluloid things, Handkerchief boxes, Veil boxes, Glove boxes, Bonbon boxes.

Garnished with silk, satin and ribbon. Hand decorated. No decorations on the prices. The prices are bare.

GLOVES. Nothing so acceptable to a lady as Kid Gloves.

Here are the famous Centemeri real Kid Gloves.
(Nowhere else in Portland.)
All the best Colors, \$1.50.
Biarritz, 8 button length, 69 cts.
And a dozen between.

EVER HEAR THE STORY of the man who bought a twenty dollar sofa which eventually cost him fifteen hundred dollars?

FOR THE BRISK NEW SOFA gave the old fashioned carpet the faded sulks, and a new carpet was bought. Then the chairs looked shabby and they were replaced by new ones.

And so the house was new furnished from parlor to attic.

LISTEN TO THIS PARALLEL extravagance. The proprietor of this store in an unguarded moment cut the price of a pretty Basket from 75 cts. down to 50 cts.

THAT BEGAN THE TROUBLE, for the new price on Basket number one made the old price on the adjoining Basket look shabby, and that was price-cut too, then another and another. Then the Doll stock got it. A most human Dolls dropped from \$1.00 down to 75 cts., and others—and others shared the same fate.

GAMES GOT IT NEXT, then Toys and trinkets, not everything, you understand, but mostly the higher priced things, so that now a little money will buy a high grade Doll, Basket, Game or Toy.

In cases where but one article of a kind was left, that got the price-cut the worst.

J. R. LIBBY.

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When you're trying to decide this may help you.

ATOMIZERS,

from 44c to \$4.00. Our 44c one is a beauty. Have you seen it?

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name on Extracts, Perfumes, Toilet Waters or similar articles is a guarantee of excellence. We have the full line.

MAILLARD'S CONFECTIONS

At the very top of the New York dainties. We are sole agents. The goods are in the original sealed packages.

CHRISTMAS CIGARS.

A full line of all that is best in "Smokedom." Some particularly choice brands especially packed in attractive boxes for Christmas trade.

These are but a few callings from our large stock of Xmas Goods. Have you noticed our window? If not just glance in the next time you're going by.

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